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## "GENUINE ENTERPRISE."

Successful Business Methods of a Firm of  
City Street Peddlers.

"Just watch that little game down  
there—it works as slick as if it was  
greased," said the big policeman in  
front of St. Paul's Church yesterday  
as he pointed his club toward Vesey street.  
Fifteen yards further down Broadway,  
in the middle of the block, was a brisk  
young man with a big push cart full  
of hand mirrors, brushes and combs,  
which a big placard proclaimed "were  
the last of a bankrupt stock at half the  
worth price." In front of the lowest  
which stood up against the curb, was  
an ingenious looking man with a long  
ulster and a well brushed silk hat. He  
had just bought five hand mirrors and  
was looking at the brushes as the re-  
porter came up and began examining  
the "bankrupt stock."

"Well, I declare! Did you ever see  
anything so cheap?" exclaimed the in-  
genious man as he turned to the re-  
porter. "Here they're selling these  
mirrors for twenty-five cents apiece.  
Real Venetian mirrors and solid brass  
frames. I can tell that, for I was in  
the importing business once. They're  
worth one dollar apiece at the lowest.  
I've just bought five. I'm going to  
give one to my wife and one to each of  
my girls."

"You're right, sir," said the brisk  
young man behind the cart, "they're  
almost given away. Just look at one,  
sir, and you, too, madame," as he  
stopped wrapping up the parcel for the  
ingenious man, and thrust one mirror  
into the hand of the lady in a sleekish  
sneak who had heard the eulogies of the  
ingenious young man and had stopped  
for a moment in an undecided  
sort of way.

"Upon my word," continued the in-  
genious man in an enthusiastic tone  
that floated forty feet away. "I never  
saw anything like it—yes, it's a real  
ivory comb and a genuine ivory backed  
English made hair brush—I've dealt in  
combs myself. How much did you say,  
my man? What! only a quarter  
apiece? You may wrap me up four of  
these. I never saw anything so cheap  
in my life. Just given away; yes,  
given away as working girls, and  
again he turned his radiant counte-  
nance upon the reporter.

The lady's doubts seemed dispelled  
by this emphatic approval and she  
bought a hand mirror, brush and comb.  
A dry goods clerk, who looked as if he  
was going to see his best girl, so re-  
spondent was he, was also encouraged  
to the point of buying a mirror. Three  
girls flattered by the attention of the  
hair brushes between them. Meantime  
the boys sprang up from nowhere and  
stared. Small girls appeared mysteri-  
ously and gazed with longing eyes at  
the mirrors and celluloid-backed hair  
brushes. Before the ingenious man  
had gotten his change there was a  
crowd of fifty people around the cart  
wanting to buy something.

"What's the game? I don't see any  
trick about this—five cents is about  
twice as much as those things are  
worth," asked the reporter, when he  
had at last disentangled himself from  
the crowd.

"You're not very fly," said the big  
policeman, pityingly, "that man in the  
ulster is only a 'capper.' He'll go  
off now and wait till this crowd goes  
away and business gets dull again.  
Then the feller at the cart'll push it  
down or up Broadway a block or two,  
and the 'capper' 'll turn up again and  
buy a whole lot of things. He'll en-  
thusiast about their quality and cheap-  
ness and another crowd'll collect and  
buy a lot—bam! bam! bam! bam! bam!  
a couple of fellows working that way  
will sell as much as a good sized store  
will. I've seen that cart there emptied  
six times in a day. It's what I call  
genuine enterprise."—N. Y. Herald.

## FAMOUS SPENDTHRIFTS.

Tiberius' Boats of Cedar, Covered With  
Gold and Precious Stones.

The ancients more than equaled the  
modern in their ingenuously profuse-  
ness of expenditure. A history of the  
spendthrifts of ancient Rome alone  
would fill a good-sized volume and be  
of unique variety. Apicius, Crassus,  
Probus, Claudius, Nero, Vitellius and  
Caligula all squandered vast sums on  
most trifling objects. Apicius spent  
nearly a million pounds on his palate,  
and then, casting up his accounts and  
discovering that he had lost one hun-  
dred thousand pounds left, immedi-  
ately hanged himself to avoid the  
privations of threatening poverty.

His palace was regaled the attendants of  
his palace with the robes of pleasure,  
the tongues of thrushes and the eggs  
of partridges. At his own meals the  
peas were sprinkled with grains of  
gold, pearls were scattered in dishes of  
food, and the costliest wines were used  
to render palatable a dish of beans.

Crassus made a great feast for the  
populace during his candidacy for the  
office of Consul, at which ten thousand  
talents were heaped with luxuries.  
Even this was a mere trifle to Cras-  
sus, who, at the funeral feast on the  
occasion of his daughter's death, spread  
seventy-two thousand tables, accommo-  
dating three guests at each.

Tiberius, like Cleopatra, gulped  
down precious stones, he crushed and  
mixed in wine; and he heaped the  
plates of favorite guests with gold and  
jewels for them to carry away. It was  
Tiberius, too, who passed to be billi-  
on of cedar, covered with gold and  
precious stones, and large enough to  
admit of their being turned into float-  
ing gardens, in which were planted  
flowers, vines, and fruit trees. No  
scene from the Arabian Nights or  
entertainments could have equaled this  
in splendor.

But it is to Nero that the prize for  
senseless prodigality must be awarded.  
In the simple recreation of fishing he  
used lines of purple silk and hooks of  
gold. His tiara was estimated to be  
worth five hundred thousand pounds, and  
he never wore the same costume  
twice. When on a progress through  
his domains he five hundred asses fol-  
lowed in his train to supply milk for  
his daily bath. Had Elwes, the fa-  
mous malar, who performed his abili-  
ties in a convenient nook and dried  
himself with sand to save the expense  
of soap and towels, been a spectator in  
this reckless extravagance, he would  
in all probability, have gone clean out  
of his mind.—Saturday Review.

—A Kansas man points with pride to  
the phenomenal fact that his wife has  
worn one bonnet twenty-two years.  
She must be blind, or else she never  
goes out of the house.—N. Y. Journal.

## PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—The late C. J. Osborne, of New  
York, left a ten million dollar estate.

—The American Copyright League  
has elected James Russell Lowell its  
President.

—President Roberts, of the Pennsylv-  
ania Railroad, does not attend to  
business on Saturday, but invariably  
devotes that day to his family.—Phila-  
delphia Press.

—The Humane Society of London has  
awarded a bronze medal to the Ameri-  
can, Henry Wallace, in recognition  
of his heroism in saving an American  
lady from drowning in the Thames.

—The young violinist, Signora Ter-  
esina Tua, has signed an agreement  
with the impresario, Henry Klein, for  
a grand tour in America in 1886-7, for  
which she is to receive fifty thousand  
dollars.

—Major M. C. Johnson, of Lexing-  
ton, Ky., went to Frankfort a few days  
ago to argue a case that has been on  
the docket seventy years, and with  
which he has been connected half a  
century.

—Captain Howard, of New Haven,  
Conn., who had charge of a Gatling  
gun for the Canadian Government dur-  
ing the recent rebellion in the North-  
west, will, it is reported, receive a  
bonus of five thousand dollars from  
that Government in consideration of  
services rendered by him.

—General D. H. Seigle, of Lincoln  
County, N. C., died recently, aged  
ninety years. Twenty years ago he  
laid aside his spectacles, having been  
visited with his "second sight," and  
from then to the hour of his death he  
never had use for his glasses, his eye-  
sight being clear and keen.—Baltimore  
Sun.

—The oldest active prima donna of  
celebrity is Trebbini, who is 47 years of  
age. Next comes Pauline Luca, with  
44, Marianne Brandt 43, Patti and  
Nilsson 42, Marie Broze 39, Ma-  
rietta 38, Fusch-Ma 37, Hanfstaengl  
36, Lehmann 35, Scialchi 35,  
Minnie Hank 33, Gerster 29, and Sem-  
brich 27.—N. Y. Times.

—A St. Louis man has a valuable  
relic of early theatricals in this coun-  
try, in the form of a play bill bearing  
the date 1823, announcing the ap-  
pearance of five of the Jeffersons in one  
cast at Washington. The plays were  
"The Dramatist" and "The Magpie  
and the Maid." One of the five was  
the mother of Joseph, of "Rip Van  
Winkle" fame.—St. Louis Post.

—Samuel Jennings, aged eighty-  
eight, of Baltimore, one of the old de-  
fenders of 1814, is dead. There were  
now but four living in Baltimore out of  
twenty hundred who were present at  
the formation of an organization in 1842 to  
annually celebrate the battle of North  
Point. Mr. Jennings was the oldest  
printer in Baltimore. He was the first  
printer to set in type, "The Star  
Printer Banner."—Baltimore Ameri-  
can.

—When Judge Kelley, "the father  
of the House," was last re-elected,  
"Sunset" Cox said to him: "Well,  
Judge, you will probably be kept in  
Congress all your life." "I told my  
people," answered Kelley, "I was a  
candidate for life—barring lunacy or  
paralysis." "You made your exception  
too broad," replied Cox; "lunacy does  
not disqualify a man for a seat in Con-  
gress."—Chicago Journal.

## "A LITTLE NONSENSE."

—An old lady was recently heard to  
observe, on taking up the morning pa-  
per: "I wonder if anybody has been  
born that I know."—N. Y. Telegram.

—The dizzy waiter:  
It is no wonder that the waiter  
by all the strictest codes is hated.  
It surely makes no other fault.  
—Beverly Advocate.

—People who believe in the stirrer  
about intelligent dogs, will read with  
pleasure that a dog in Norfolk,  
having seen his master's advertisement  
in one of the local papers, promptly  
went home.—Hartford Post.

—"What are the things that touch us  
most as we look back through the  
years?" asked a lecturer, impressively.  
There was a moment's awful pause,  
and then a small boy in the audience  
answered: "Our clothes."—Golden  
Days.

—Brown: "I never pretend to know  
a thing that I do not; when I don't  
know a thing, I say at once I don't  
know." Fogg: "A very proper  
course, but how monotonous your con-  
versation must be, Brown."—Boston  
Transcript.

## HARD TIMES.

An Honest Gallio's Valiant Attempts to Se-  
cure Winter Quarters.

Soon after eight o'clock the other  
morning a man about forty years old  
rang the office bell at the Workshop,  
and to the door-keeper who answered it,  
he asked: "Can I come in?"

"Why, yes, of course. Whom did  
you wish to see?"

"Oh, nobody in particular. You may  
put me down for about ninety days."

It was soon discovered that he was a  
tailor who wanted to be locked up for  
the winter, and the door-keeper was  
obliged to inform him that he couldn't  
be taken in after that fashion.

"So I've got to be arrested and taken  
before the police judge, eh?" he en-  
quired.

"Yes, have you any money?"

"About twenty dollars, which I want  
to save until spring."

"Then you can't be arrested as a  
vagrant. You will have to commit  
some offense. You'd better get drunk."

"But I am strictly temperate."

"Well, get up a row with somebody,  
smash a window, or run off with some-  
body's horse. It ought to be an easy  
matter to get arrested."

The man walked down to the hay-  
market and looked around for some-  
body to get up a row with. He selected  
a farmer who seemed to be a good-  
hearted man, and walked up to him  
and said:

"Say! I want a row with you. I want  
to be arrested."

"Look a-here, young man," replied  
the farmer, "you come fooling  
around here. I'm cold and hungry, and  
you give me the least provocation. I'll  
make do-meat of you."

The sailor turned away and picked  
up a rock and walked down to a saloon,  
determined to get drunk, and the ap-  
pearance of the old man who keeps the  
place saw him coming, and he went  
out and said:

"You keep away! If you throw  
that stone at my window, I'll shoot  
you so help me gracious!"

"But I want to do something to be  
arrested."

"I can't help doing you keep away  
or I put some lead into you."

## THIBETAN MONKS.

Description of a Lamassery and the Life of  
Its Inmates.

The young apprentices or novices,  
passing through their novitiate, are  
generally called Peng Giong, and  
sometimes La Tchru (small Lamas).  
These are generally recruited as fol-  
lows: Should there be a son too many  
in a family, as the third would prove  
in a poor one, or the fourth in a richer  
one, he is generally packed off to the  
Lamassery of the district. Not only  
to disembarass the family of a surplus  
son is this done, but also to gain the  
favor of the Lamassery, as although  
these have no civil power by right, still  
they are strong enough to annoy and  
exert a great deal of power. Again, if  
a boy has shown particular sharpness  
or boldness—in fact, that he is worth  
having—a Lama or some lower "ecle-  
siastic" will take the parent's house  
unasked, as is quite permitted to  
any Thibetan to do in any Thibetan  
house, and in the course of conversa-  
tion this "ecclesiastic" usually tells  
the "fortitude" of the family. For  
he wants his prospects all sorts of  
ills and sickness, which can only be  
averted by his entering a Lamassery.  
This has the desired effect, and he is  
handed over to save him from the un-  
happy alternative. The result has  
often been led up to by preparatory  
predictions given from time to time  
concerning the son. Thanks to the  
above systematic fraud, there is now  
the "fortitude" of the total popula-  
tion of Thibet in Lamasseries. Deduct-  
ing for the women and children, and it will  
be evident what a ruinous proportion  
of the male adult population is wasted  
in Lamasseries, perfectly unproductive  
and living in a great measure on the  
toil of the remainder!

As regards the interior "monastic"  
life and regulations, the members of a  
Lamassery (miscalled "Lamas") room  
together in the same hall, and have in  
no proper or moral purpose. They  
are practically subject to no discipline  
whatever, nor can there be said to be  
any real rules followed, except perhaps  
as far as the so-called "Lamas" them-  
selves are concerned, and they have in  
the periods of the fifth and ninth days  
during each of which three days must  
be spent in the Lamassery, ostensibly  
in prayer, though the latter it is not  
rigorous; the other period is at the new  
year, when they must pass five days  
in the Lamassery, also ostensibly  
in prayer. The members have no com-  
munion, some being very poor—others  
often acting as the servants of richer  
members; others being rich, and all  
living exactly as suits each individual's  
tastes and means. A few of the elders  
remain pretty constantly in the Lama-  
series, when, having outgrown the  
pleasures and passions of youth, their  
deeds are left to the younger monks,  
in consequence elected to abandon their  
vicious courses. The great majority,  
however, rove about at will, with no  
moral intent, as we have said.

As far as the so-called "Lamas" them-  
selves are concerned, their religion is  
a farce they do not believe, save in so  
far as it brings them in the good things  
of this world. For that purpose they  
thoroughly appreciate its value. The  
people, too, already realize and make  
common talk of the immortality of the  
"Lamas" as a body, and only expect  
from slanders a few, chiefly the very old  
"Living Buddhas." Nearly all large  
Lamasseries have one or more of these  
"Living Buddhas."—Nineteenth Cen-  
tury.

## RELIGIOUS IRVING.

How Spaniards Honor the Memory of the  
Great American Author.

There is a hotel in Granada that  
bears the honored name of Washing-  
ton Irving. From its windows the  
guest, in the morning, when the sun-  
light is sifted down through the  
lustrous elms, sees one of the black  
walls of the Alhambra. Its proprietor  
is a Spaniard, not literary and not too  
familiar with the name he has taken in  
vain. Two volumes, fragments of two  
separate works of the author, one in  
French, are all that the hotel  
possesses, though a copy of Salo's Ko-  
rales sometimes brought to the tra-  
veler under the impression that it also  
emanated from Irving's pen. There is  
a portrait from a photograph in the  
reading room not unlike the original,  
but no one remembers any Irving  
here. It is so very long since Irving  
spent his three and a half months of  
spring and summer within the Alham-  
bra's walls—more than fifty years—  
that few persons are now alive who  
ever saw him, though scarcely a day  
person who comes here does not talk  
of him and of his books; he it was that  
made Granada famous. The faithful  
Mateo, his body servant, died many  
years ago, and I do not now have  
as guide, is an old man of nearly sixty.  
His wife died of the cholera, and he  
in temporary retirement at the house  
of a son-in-law in the old quarter. I  
was a guest search for him as one  
of the relics. I was shown to a little  
room beside the entrance, filled with  
ancient furniture, and he soon came in.  
He is thin and gray-haired, and looks  
at least seventy. He spoke no Eng-  
lish, but I was able to converse with  
him in French. He was only  
three years old when Irving was here,  
but remembers or thinks he remembers  
the round-faced, good-natured gen-  
tleman, dressed in black, with black cravat,  
standing collar and broad expanse  
of shirt front, who used every day to  
give him a copper. Whether this is  
partly copied from the portrait and  
partly from family reminiscence, no  
one can tell. He expressed great re-  
gret that he could not have acted as  
my guide. Then he looked up for me  
a small photograph of his father, and  
I left him, slipping into his hand a  
pocket in the dark passage as I passed  
out. American literature is young,  
and yet here is an old man of sixty  
who, when a child of three, knew  
Irving, who had already passed middle  
age.—Granada (Spain) Cor. San Fran-  
cisco Chronicle.

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and August.  
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J. H. Ferguson, County Attorney.  
A. B. Long, County Clerk.

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HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Feb. 6, 1886.  
The wildest excitement prevails in Hopkinsville in consequence of one of the most remarkable discoveries yet made on the American continent. A veritable Symmes Hole has been unearthed in this vicinity. It is peopled by a race of amphibious beings with tails and scales. They are amphibious, and subsist on eelgrass, bats, and mushrooms, which abound in great profusion in the wonderful cavern in which they were discovered yesterday for the first time, under the following peculiar circumstances.

A ten-year-old son of Col. James P. of Hopkinsville, was out rabbit-hunting with a number of his companions, and they succeeded in chasing a rabbit into a hole of rocks, the aperture of which was, as subsequently proved to be, a shallow entrance to the most wonderful cavern yet discovered in the known world. Little "Bilby" P. was selected to crawl in after the rabbit, and as he did not appear, and as no response could be heard to his companions' anxious call, the alarm was quickly given in the town and the citizens turned out en masse, armed with crow-bars, picks and torches, and by this time night had cast its shadow over the scene.

For four hours the work of removing the loose rock was continued, and then to the great joy of all an immense chamber in the cavern was reached, and over one thousand men, women and children cautiously entered. It was a wild, weird, impressive, exciting scene, never to be forgotten.

A succession of cheers reverberated through the many aisles and ends of this strange handiwork of nature. The glare from the torches was reflected back from great statues of crystal hue and transparency; thousands of bats, started from a scene of despatch, dashed wildly hither and thither, extinguishing the lights and causing great consternation, especially among the ladies, as many of them became entangled in their hair and it was almost impossible to extricate them. Several of the ladies attempted to force their way out of the cave, but this was simply impossible, as the surging crowd from without was pressing for admission, and the numbers were reinforced by a continuous procession from the town, as the news had spread like wild fire.

Avenues spread out in at least ten directions and as to which route the little boy had taken, of course, no one could conjecture, so parties of ten, twenty, or fifty scattered out through all the avenues with candles, lamps, and other improvised torches, followed by a multitude in each case who had "no oil in their lamps," or no lamps or lights of any kind. Down! down! they went on an abruptly sloping incline, until after three hours' weary walking they must have reached a level several hundred feet beneath the surface. Here they struck a subterranean river—wide and deep—and teeming with life in the shape of a very peculiar looking fish, thousands upon thousands of which could be plainly seen for at least twenty feet beneath the surface of these placid crystal waters. Some of the fish were apparently as large as an ordinary sized man, and upon closer investigation turned out to be a hitherto unknown race of amphibious human beings, who can, like the alligator and other amphibious animals, live both in and out of the water.

Scientists have long since contended that amphibious human beings were entirely within the bounds of possibility. Yet this is the first time in the world's history that the face of such an existence has been practically demonstrated.

They were terribly frightened at the approach of a race of beings so much like themselves, and fell in a slight terror. They are web-footed, are slightly scaly like ordinary fish, and have two immense fins, or flappers, at the umbilical cord, on the lower part of the breast. This is the great secret of their amphibious superiority. Only one specimen was captured. It is a female, in fact a mermaid, if we may be allowed to so call it. Mr. Dick Holland, proprietor of the Opera House, captured it, and has taken it home, where thousands of curious people are now flocking to see it. The struggles and cries of this poor captive were indeed terrible. It took four stout men to hold her viz.: John Wright, Alex. Henderson, John Wright and A. H. Anderson. Her hair is raven black and falls in great profusion and luxuriantness three feet down her back; her teeth are like mother-of-pearl and her features too beautiful to compare to any before the earth.

She can articulate, and apparently talk with great vehemence like other women. Mr. Holland has contracted with Forbes & Bro., the planning-men, for an immense tank to place her in, in a room under the Opera House, where the public can see her, and where others of her species may be placed as fast as they are captured. It is feared, however, that she will hardly survive the shock to her nervous system, as she has already gone into hysterics, and fainted as she fell into the arms of Robert Guyan. The inclement weather and change of conditions of life generally, will, it is

feared, hasten her death; so no more of the species will be permitted to be removed for the present, until further investigations are made. I forgot to mention that these amphibious people have long appendages, or tails, closely resembling that of the alligator, for the tail on the specimen captured measuring, from tip to tip, three feet nine inches, and weighing in all, probably about fifteen pounds.

Several little children of these very remarkable people were seen sporting playfully about the crystal water, and upon the appearance of the exploring party, they sprang into the water with cries of abject fear, in which they were instantly joined by their parents. The temperature of the water is very pleasant, as well as that of the cavern, and it is not at all unlikely that it is the slope or cone referred to in the theory of American Symmes. The air is pure and pleasant, and the water is so refreshing that the mullous in great abundance, and the water, furnishing wholesome food for these human inhabitants. This is supplemented by mushrooms of the most luscious and tender variety, which grows in a vegetable food all the year round. And the bats are undoubtedly also eaten as an animal food. So it will readily be seen that the conditions all exist for the support of human life in this most wonderful of all subterranean abodes of life.

The cavern has been explored for about twelve miles over one of the routes, and from six to eight over the remaining nine main avenues, which will give a total of nearly one hundred miles of wide avenues explored up to the present writing.

It is indeed wonderful, inconceivable, almost incomprehensible, the peculiar formation of the stalactites, the stalagmites, the diamond brilliancy, that dazzles the eyes of the beholder, and the magnificent and massive pillars of alabaster, the walls of intervening frostwork and thousands of other wonders yet untold. But the most wonderful of all is the discovery of the race of amphibious human beings, with tails like alligators, and web-feet somewhat resembling those of the domesticated duck.

There is not one word of fiction or exaggeration in this narrative—it is nothing but a chain of startling facts. In order that your readers may be assured that there is no hoax about this matter, I have had a number of reputable citizens of the town appear before J. O. Cooper, Esq., notary public, and state on oath, as follows:

"HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Feb. 6, 1886.—Before me appeared this day John P. P., George Hart, Lem McKee, Chas. M. Meacham and L. P. Payne, who hereby testify on oath that a great cavern was discovered on the Hooper farm, two miles from Hopkinsville, Ky., on Friday, February 5, 1886, and that a race of amphibious human beings with scales and tails were discovered in the waters of a subterranean river within said cavern, and that it is, in their belief and knowledge, the largest and most wonderful cavern yet discovered in the known world."

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**WASHINGTON LETTER.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 15, 1886.  
TO THE SOUTH KENTUCKIAN:  
A very pretty tribute to the worth of the man, and one showing the high estimate in which he is held by those differing from him politically, was the resolution introduced in the Senate on Thursday by Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, directing the Library Committee to consider and report at an early day upon the expediency of erecting at the seat of government a statue or monument to the memory of the late illustrious soldier, Winfield Scott Hancock. The resolution was accompanied by a feeling speech from the Senator and adopted by a dissenting voice.

In the House Mr. Blanchard, of Louisiana, offered a series of resolutions, which were adopted and a copy ordered sent to the widow, after which the House adjourned as a mark of respect to the general who had just died. Mr. Bingham asked leave in the House to introduce a bill granting a pension of \$2,000 per annum to Mrs. Hancock, but objection was made. All flags on public and private buildings are at half mast.

The Republican wing of the Senate has begun its fight against the appointments made by the President, and has this week reported adversely on some Presidential Postmasters, and withheld assent to pending charges can be investigated. Pillsbury and Chase nominated respectively to be internal revenue collectors in Massachusetts and Maine, are here to argue their cases before the Committee; and a protest has been presented to the Senate from Vermont objecting to the confirmation of Smalley as Collector of Customs in that State.

The Senators from Arkansas endeavored to have a register of the Land Office recorded suspended of official objection was made and it went over.

The report that the Committee had reported adversely on the nomination of Harbilly for Postmaster, was suspended, the committee on the case has not yet been considered.

It may be accepted as a fact however, that whenever good or plausible grounds can be found for doing so, an adverse report will be made where a Republican official has been suspended to make a place for a Democrat.

The Committee on Patents has been busy this week hearing arguments by wall paper and carpet manufacturers, in favor of Senator Platt's bill to amend the laws relating to patents for designs. Members from the leading firms of W. & J. Sloan, New York and Boston; Higgins & Co., New York; President of the Hartford Carpet Co., E. & J. Dobson, Philadelphia; and the Yorkers Carpet Co., are here putting in

strong arguments for the proposed amendment. They claim that as the law stands they cannot recover damages from an infringer, and want an amendment giving full protection as is given by the laws for mechanical patents. W. & J. Sloan pay a man \$10,000 a year for designing carpet patterns and other manufacturers pay in proportion. The Meriden Silver Co. pay a man a salary of \$8,000 for an original design for spoons and forks.

Senator Van Wyck has, as was intimated in last week's letter would be introduced a bill making 10 hours a legal day's work for employees of street railroads and other corporations in the District of Columbia.

At the meeting of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor last Friday, a hearing was given to the Woman's Industrial League, on the subject of legislation in behalf of women. Mrs. Charlotte Smith was very personal in her remarks and made charges that hundreds of immoral women were retained in public offices through political influence. She got greatly excited and declared that the League had come before the Committee to demand their rights and to dictate. Senator Payne got wrathful at that and said "you had better go somewhere else, I won't be dictated to by anybody." Other Senators declined to call her to order because of her violent language and on the whole she did the good cause more harm than good.

The House Committee on Manufactures has agreed to report favorably Representative Campbell's bill to appoint a commission of experts to test steel and iron and other building materials used in the construction of bridges and mechanical structures, the object being to deduct useful rules therefrom. Twenty-five thousand dollars is appropriated to carry out the provisions of the act.

Representative Cardy, of Mo., will soon introduce a bill providing for the establishment of a bureau of mines and mining in the Interior Department to be attached to the geological survey. The bureau will be charged with the collection and publication of statistics and information concerning the mining industry in this country.

It will doubtless be remembered that the health of William T. Crum, the steward under President Garfield, was so seriously impaired by his constant nursing of the President during his protracted illness, that he was compelled to take an ocean voyage to recuperate. The trip benefited him some, but he has never been the man physically that he was before his nervous system underwent the great strain. The trip also consumed the greater portion of the small means that the steward had accumulated by the exercise of strict economy and frugality. Senator Sherman on Thursday introduced a bill to pay Crum \$5,000 in compensation for injuries received while nursing the President.

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For March comes with its usual variety of readable and valuable articles, attractive stories, and well-executed illustrations. Is the Panama Canal a failure? may ask. The question is answered by Mr. Arthur Abbott in "Progress at Panama." Christian Reid, the well-known novelist of North Carolina, contributes a story called "The Price of a Kiss." Philip Bourke Marston, the Blind Poet, sends "Captain Bromley's Life Romance," and Sarah K. Bolton tells us of "Marston and his Home." Noel Ruthven carries us back to the days of the Chevalier Bayard, "sans peur et sans reproche." "St. Valentine's Prisoner" is a seasonal story by Frances B. Currier. Mr. Emily Pierce tells of the "Streets of Mexico," and M. F. Vallette of "Old-Time Punishments and Ordeals." The well-known naturalist, C. F. Holder, in his "Wooing of the Birds," describes and illustrates some of the strange performances of the feathered creatures when they seek brides in the Spring-time. Altogether it is a most enjoyable number.

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